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Miss Jane Rogers, R.N., assumed the duties of Executive Secretary to the Missouri State Board of Nursing as of September 28, 1959.

Sr. M. Fabian Butti, R.N.
President
MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF NURSING

STATISTICS

Nurses licensed in Missouri:

Professional Nurses..... 36,162
Practical Nurses..... 8,311

Annual Renewal (59-60) as of 11/1/59:

Professional Nurses..... 12,408
Practical Nurses..... 6,086

Examinations in September - October:

Professional Nurses..... 775
Practical Nurses..... 240

Entrance Certificates Issued Since September 1, 1959:

Professional Nurses..... 1,092
Practical Nurses..... 161

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Federal Professional Nurse Traineeship Program

The Federal Professional Nurse Traineeship Program, established for 3 years by the Health Amendments Act of 1956, has been extended for an additional five years as of September 1, 1959. This program provides scholarship assistance for nurses preparing for first-level positions in public health nursing or for supervision, administration, and teaching. Monthly subsidies for full-time academic traineeships in supervisor, administration and teaching are available up to a maximum of 12 months. Beginning this year, a portion of these funds will be accessible to nurses enrolled in short-term intensive training courses to improve skills in supervision and administration of nursing services. Trainees in both categories will be selected by the institution providing the training. Application should be made directly to the institution. An interim fact sheet with list of participating schools may be obtained by writing to the Division of Nursing Resources, Public Health Service, U.S. Dept. of Health, Education & Welfare, Washington, D.C.

Film on Handwashing

A new 16mm color and sound motion picture film on Aseptic Technique for Handwashing is just announced by the Public Health Service. This 3 1/2 minute film demonstrates methods of handwashing, using cake or liquid soap, that may be used in the hospital. The film is available on short-term loan from the Communicable Disease Center, Public Health Service, Dept. of Health, Education & Welfare, P.O. Box 185, Chamblee, Georgia. In ordering, it should be specified as No. M-373.

Weekly Summary of Communicable Diseases Missouri Division of Health

The final issue of the weekly summary of communicable diseases reported to the Division of Health was made for the week ending October 31, 1959. This has been discontinued since there was some doubt as to its usefulness and value as a routine publication. It is possible that a condensed monthly morbidity summary may be issued at a later date. The Division of Health would appreciate any comments regarding the usefulness of such publication and suggestions relative to contents and format.

Restandardization of next Practical Nurse Licensing Examination - Form 561.

The new Series 561 Practical Nurse NLN Test Pool Examination will be re-standardized in the near future. NLN will select states to participate in this analysis project, which will be based on practical nurse candidates tested during January 2 - May 15, 1960.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

State Board Examinations

Examinations for professional nurse and practical nurse candidates will be held in Jefferson City, Mo. as follows:

Professional Nurse:

December 1-2, 1959 - 1st Time Candidates
March 30-31, 1960 - Repeat Candidates

Practical Nurse:

March 1-2, 1960 - 1st Time and
Repeat Candidates

Applications must be on file in the State Board of Nursing Office 30 days prior to examination dates. Applicants may not be admitted to examination center without the proper identifying material issued by the State Board of Nursing Office.

CURRENT EVENTS

September 30-October 1, 1959 - Missouri League for Nursing Convention, held in St. Louis, Missouri. Sr. M. Fabian Hutti, R.N., President of the State Board of Nursing, attended.

October 4-5-6, 1959 - Mid-West Regional Conference of State Boards of Nursing, held in Denver, Colorado. Miss Edna Peterson, R.N., Board Member, Mrs. Margaret Riley, L.P.N., Board Member, and Miss Jane Rogers, R.N., Executive Secretary, represented the Missouri State Board of Nursing.

October 15-16-17-18, 1959 - Regional Workshop on Practical Nursing, held in St. Louis, Missouri. Miss Lydia L. Zillgitt, R.N., Asst. Executive Secy., Sr. M. Fabian Hutti, R.N., President, Mrs. Alma Van Matre, L.P.N., and Mrs. Margaret Riley, L.P.N., Board Members, attended.

October 22, 1959 - Third Tuberculosis Nursing Institute, held in St. Louis, Missouri.

October 28-29-30, 1959 - Missouri Hospital Association Conference, held in St. Louis, Missouri. Miss Jane Rogers, R.N., Executive Secretary, attended.

December 9-10, 1959 - Missouri State Board of Nursing Board Meeting, to be held at the Governor Hotel, Jefferson City, Missouri

RECENT PUBLICATIONS & BOOKS

Professional Nursing

Professional Nursing Trends. Responsibilities

by Eugenia K. Spalding
J.B. Lippincott Co. - 6th Edition

Education for Nursing: Past, Present and Future - NLN Publication - \$1.00 per copy

Desirable Features of Performance Records
NLN Publication - \$.25 per copy

Supplement to the Self-Evaluation Guide for Schools of Nursing Offering Programs Leading to a Diploma. For Use by Schools with Extended Units - NLN Publication - \$.75 per copy

1959 NLN Lyleans - NLN Publication - no charge

Practical Nursing

Work Book for Practical Nurse

by Audrey Latchaw Sutton, R.N.
W. B. Saunders Co.

The Human Body in Health & Disease

by Ruth Lundeen Hammler, M.D.
J. B. Lippincott Co.

Guides for Developing Curricula for the Education of Practical Nurses

by Dorothy E. Dren, R.N.

Vocational Division Bulletin No. 274

U.S. Dept. of Health, Education & Welfare, Washington, D.C.
Price: \$.60 per copy

State Approved Schools of Practical and Vocational Nursing - 1959

National League for Nursing, Inc.
N.Y., N.Y. Price: \$1.00 per copy

The Practical Nurse - Textbook of Nursing

by Brownell & Culver
W. B. Saunders Co. - 5th Edition

N O T I C E

TO: Nurses and Employers

RE: Out of State Professional Nurses Applying for Positions

The last issue of the Quarterly News Letter stressed the importance of securing professional nurse licensure in Missouri prior to employment due to the mandatory Nurse Practice Act in this state.

Missouri has no formal agreement with any state in the matter of reciprocal registration for professional nurses. Each application is given individual consideration by the Board of Nursing for registration in the State of Missouri by endorsement. The requirements for interstate licensure in Missouri as a professional nurse are: licensure in another state by examination and graduation from an accredited school of nursing whose program meets Missouri's Minimum Requirements in theory and clinical experience. Application blanks for interstate licensure are not issued to employers or nursing organizations. To apply for interstate licensure, the applicant must make her initial contact with the Missouri State Board of Nursing Office, giving her full name, current mailing address, state/s in which licensed and school of nursing from which she graduated. An interstate application is forwarded to applicant which should be completed and returned promptly to our office for evaluation. Upon receipt of the completed interstate application and required certification from the applicant's original state of licensure (by examination), a final evaluation is made and the applicant is notified as to her eligibility for a Missouri license. Missouri licenses are issued on or around the 15th of each month.

If employment, prior to final evaluation of submitted material, is necessary, the applicant should advise the State Board of Nursing Office and an Employment Authorization can be issued for a limited period of time.

Reference cards are retained on all individuals who contact our office concerning interstate licensure. Follow-up notices are sent out every three months to individuals who do not submit their completed interstate applications to our office for evaluation.

The many letters of welcome to your new Executive Secretary of the Missouri State Board of Nursing have been most gratifying. Schedules are being set up now for the Executive Secretary to make a "get acquainted" visit to the Schools of Nursing, Cooperating Agencies, and Colleges and Universities offering programs for nursing students in Missouri. Please send dates that will be convenient for you to have such a visit to the Missouri State Board of Nursing Office as soon as possible so that planning for the year of 1960 may get underway.

Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season!